



Unified Port
of San Diego

**FY 13/14
FINAL BUDGET**



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SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

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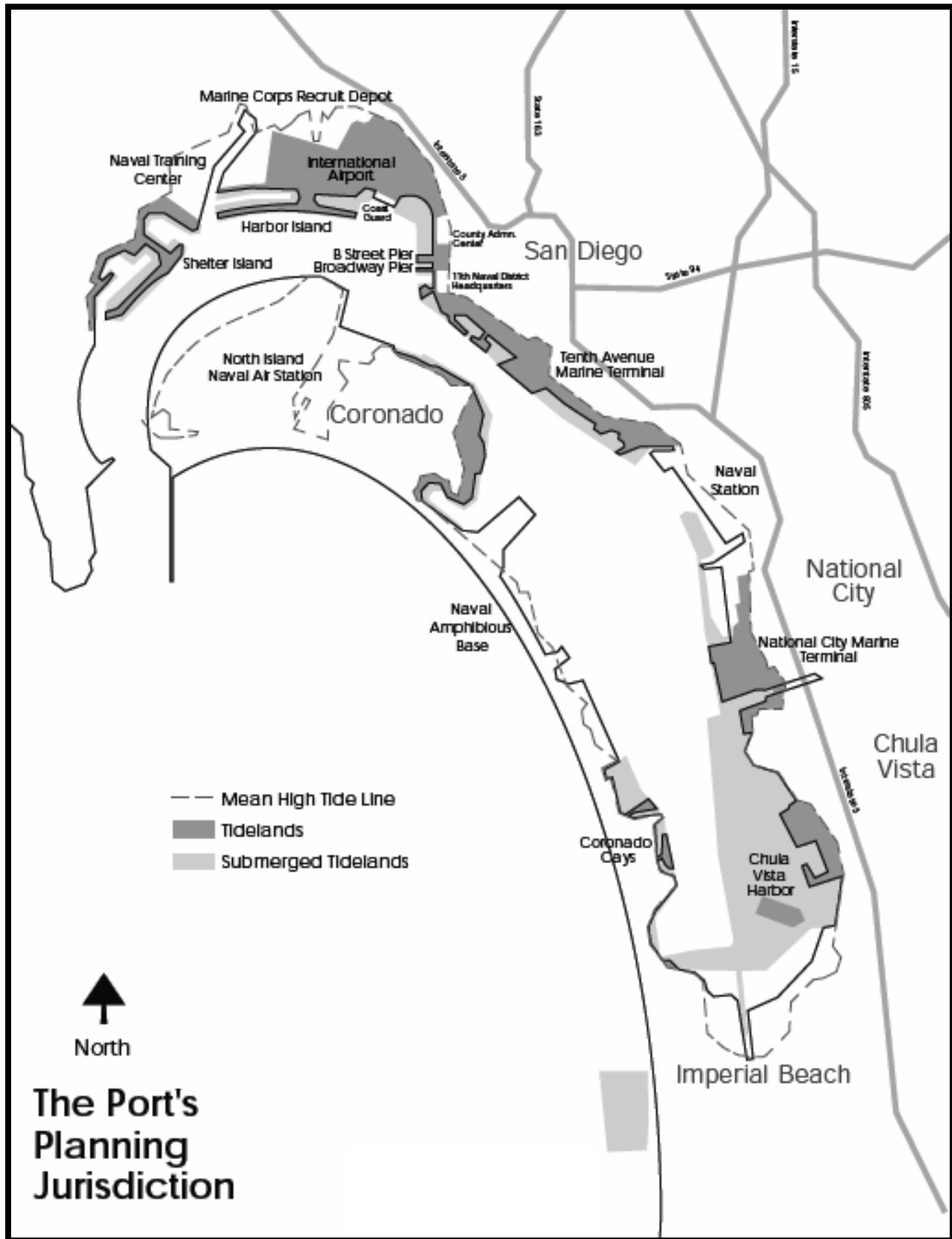


Vision

To Foster a World-Class Port through
Excellence in Public Service.

Mission

The San Diego Unified Port District will protect the
Tidelands Trust resources by providing economic
vitality and community benefit through a balanced approach to
maritime industry, tourism, water and land recreation,
environmental stewardship, and public safety.



THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT

The San Diego Unified Port District (Port) is a regional public agency established in 1962 by an act of the California State Legislature to consolidate management responsibilities for San Diego Bay. This consolidation provides ongoing efficiencies and centralized planning for the tidelands along San Diego Bay.

- The Port is an economic engine, creating jobs and dollars for the regional economy through the promotion of maritime trade, tourism and other commercial activities.
- The Port is an environmental steward, preserving and enhancing the natural resources of the San Diego Bay and surrounding tidelands.
- The Port is a provider of community services, providing public access, public safety, recreation and community activities along the waterfront for visitors and residents of the region.

A seven-member Board of Port Commissioners governs the Port. Board members are appointed to four-year terms by the city councils of Chula Vista, Coronado, Imperial Beach, National City and San Diego. The San Diego City Council appoints three commissioners, and each of the other city councils appoints one commissioner. Port Commissioners establish policies that the Port's staff, under the direction of the Executive Director/President/CEO, use to conduct daily operations.

The Port's maritime and real estate operations generate billions of dollars for the region's economy and allow the Port to operate without the benefit of tax dollars. The Port does have the authority to levy a tax, but has not done so since 1969.

PUBLIC TRUST DOCTRINE

The Port District Act is based on the Public Trust Doctrine, which mandates how California's sovereign lands should be managed. Also known as public trust lands, they include areas that used to be or are still under the bay and other waters. These lands generally cannot be bought and sold because they are held in the public trust and belong to the people of the State of California. As the trustee of these lands, the Port is responsible for carrying out the principles of the Public Trust Doctrine. This includes protecting the environment, promoting the public's enjoyment of these lands and enhancing economic development for the public's benefit.

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